

## NEWS OF THE DAY

"To show the very age and body of the Times"

D. D. Williams, cashier of the Connecticut National Bank in Philadelphia which was reported robbed some weeks ago, was arrested yesterday, his bail having been furnished. The morning of the robbery Williams was found in the bank, gagged and senseless. A recent investigation of the bank-books shows a defalcation of \$27,000 in addition to the reported robbery of \$17,000, which caused a suspicion of the guilt of Williams.

Hardly a shadow of hope can be entertained for the safety of the new Norwegian steamer Anna, which left New York for Rotterdam, on the 15th of February, forty-seven days ago, and of which vessel no tidings have been heard since her departure from Brooklyn on the above mentioned date.

James Allen Barber, Representative from the Third Wisconsin district has published a letter declining to be considered a candidate for re-election.

Three Indians were to be hanged at Fort Smith yesterday for murders committed in the Indian country.

Senator Schurz will deliver his oration on the death of Sumner, in Boston, on the 29th instant.

## VIRGINIA NEWS.

Col. Elhanan Row, died at his residence in Orange county on the 27th ult., aged seventy-six years. For many years Col. Row was an active and useful citizen of the county, having been sheriff for many years and holding at different times other prominent positions in his county.

The Fairfax News says that Mr. Anthony Miller has sold to Mr. Blake, late of Scotland, 112 acres of land, including the buildings, for the sum of \$4,000. The land is about 14 miles north of the Court House, on the Vienna road.

The Virginia Midland Railroad Company advertise for 67,500 cross-ties, 6,500 of which are to be delivered between Charlottesville and Lexington, and 6,000 between Lexington and Lynchburg.

Mrs. Frances Gaines, widow of the late Andrew Gaines, died at her residence in Orange county on Saturday morning, the 28th ult., aged sixty years.

The case of Bolling vs. Lersner has been set down in the Court of Appeals as a privileged case, and will be heard as soon as the court and counsel are ready to take it up.

John C. Henry, convicted in the United States Court at Lynchburg on Friday of embezzlement and forgery, attempted to commit suicide at 10 o'clock that night by taking poison.

Mr. John B. Barry, the oldest prisoner in the State, died on Thursday at his residence in Goodson, aged eighty-one years.

The total school population of the State is 426,760, and the last amount apportioned, \$142,331 33.

## WASHINGTON NEWS.

A young man named Wm. H. Gardner was taken into custody at police headquarters yesterday evening on the basis of a telegram from Brooklyn, charging him with the larceny of clothing. He attempted to cut his throat, but a young lady, Miss Jennie Dunan, who, hearing of the arrest, had come to the headquarters, seized his arm and frustrated his design. Miss Dunan said that the accused was her brother, and innocent or guilty, she intended to keep her word and marry him. A minister was sent for, and the services of Rev. G. A. Hall having been obtained, the twin were made one. A few moments afterwards the overladen honeymoon was brightened by a dispatch from Brooklyn, directing that the young man should be released. All parties left the police office happy.

Mr. J. S. O'Neal, one of the bailiffs of the Supreme Court of the District, was arrested yesterday at the Continental Hotel, where he was spending the honeymoon with his bride, Miss Sarah A. Baker, upon the charge of bigamy. He gave bail for court. He admits a former marriage, but claims that he has a divorce.

GAMBLING.—Col. William D. Coleman has been found guilty of forging the record book of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, and also appropriating to his own use certain bonds, part and parcel of that fund, and has been sentenced to the penitentiary for four years.

This has a young man universally esteemed of high social position and deemed worthy of valuable public trusts, been brought low by the gaming table and intemperance.

The moral is plain enough without our preaching of it. All we have to say is that a city like Richmond, which does not suppress gambling houses, does not want to suppress them. The police of every city know all about these places, and they very carefully let them alone.

If they are going to be a permitted evil, let them be licensed and at least derive some revenue for the State from them. As it is they get all and pay nothing.

We are bound to believe that poor Coleman—whom we knew and knew to be a gentleman—would still be respected and trusted had it not been for the Faro-banks.

Now none are so poor as to do him reverence; his honest parents are broken-hearted in their age; and Babylon sits in high places and mocketh at their calamity! Shame!—*Gordonville Gazette.*

CONGRESS.—In the Senate yesterday a motion to adjourn over on account of its being Good Friday was rejected. The Currency bill was postponed, and the Senate without action spent the remainder of the session in discussing the Louisville and Portland Canal bill, and adjourned until Monday.

In the House of Representatives the bill to authorize an investigation of the Alaska fur seal trade was amended so as to provide that a naval officer shall accompany the Commissioner to be appointed by the Secretary of the Treasury, and passed. A resolution was passed authorizing the Committee of Ways and Means to investigate certain charges as to money having been paid to secure the passage of a Pacific mail subsidy through the Forty-second Congress, and the House then took up the private bill calendar.

MARRIAGE.—In another column will be found a notice of the marriage of one of Harrisonburg's fairest and most accomplished ladies to a brave and chivalrous gentleman of Alexandria. We refer to Miss Maggie M. Andrew and Wm. M. Fleming, an engineer on the Manassas branch of the W. & O. V. M. & G. S. Railroad, who were married at the residence of the bride's parents in this place on Tuesday morning last. We were present on the happy occasion and can truly say that never did bride appear more modest and becoming or groom more truly the unassuming gentleman than did our tried and personal friends Maggie and William. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. L. W. Chanter, the newly installed pastor of Andrew Chapel, in a beautiful and impressive manner. Everything passed off pleasantly. The bride and groom with some lady attendants from Alexandria, left on the 7 a. m. train for the chosen home of the couple in Alexandria, Va. The happy pair have our sincerest wishes for their future bliss and happiness. May William be as constant and true as he is noble and generous, and his bride as tender and loving as she is beautiful and accomplished. —*Rockingham Register.*

## FROM RICHMOND.

## LEGISLATIVE.

RICHMOND, April 3.—The State Journal of this afternoon divides the members of the Senate into two classes—the present and absent members, and says that the latter are in the majority—which is even, so very frequently. The House of Delegates being a much larger body, continually in motion, it is difficult to tell whether the presenters or absenters are more numerous.

The Senate, to-day, got through with the bill taxing stamps on contracts, &c., and ordered it to be engrossed.

The bill amending the code in relation to the terms of Circuit Courts, was passed.

The Senate refused to consider the bill making an appropriation to the Eastern Lunatic Asylum, and insisted upon its amendment to the bill relative to the Virginia Chemical and Mining Company. [The House deprived the company of railroad privileges.]

In the House of Delegates a resolution was introduced to allow any county to vote on the question of a tax on dogs; also for reporting a bill to destroy over-due coupons attached to consols bonds now in the Treasurer's office, and to cancel those hereafter becoming due when they become so.

The tax bill was considered and an amendment offered imposing a specific tax for the privilege of manufacturing, rectifying, and selling ardent spirits, &c.

## "REPRESENTATIVE EQUALITY."

Syllax, the colored delegate from Alexandria county, having taken umbrage at the passage of the bill granting a new registration for Alexandria city and county, to which, of course, he is opposed, as it will most probably reduce the colored vote in the county considerably by lopping off the "dead heads," &c., and at the same time having a "good blood" for Judge Cocke, by whom he was removed from the office of clerk of the County Court, for incompetency, &c., and ever anxious for notoriety, today introduced the following preamble and resolution in the House, proposing their introduction by saying, that by the action of the House relative to registration in Alexandria city and county, the delegation from those places being ignored, and Mr. Cocke, of Fairfax, being allowed to control matters, had left him no alternative but the tender of this paper:

"Whereas, it is evident that representatives upon this floor are proscribed and denied the right to represent their constituents on account of local political affiliations; and whereas this spirit is antagonistic with the principles of Republican government, prejudicial to the interests of the people of Virginia, and insulting to constituents who are denied representation upon this floor; therefore,

"Resolved, That the Committee on Propositions and Grievances be instructed to report to this House what measures the General Assembly should adopt by which each and every member should be placed upon the same broad footing of representative equality; and whether particular considerations in legislation be not harmful to the dignity and welfare of the Commonwealth."

The resolution was referred, and will sleep.

## NEW U. S. MARSHAL.

C. P. Ramsdell has qualified before Judge Hughes as U. S. Marshal for this district. He gave bond to the penalty of \$20,000, with the following sureties: Matthew P. Roe, of Norfolk county; Wm. McGonigal, of Surry; J. H. Van Auker, of Sussex, and L. C. O'Neal, of Alexandria; all members of the Legislature.

D. B. Parker, the retiring marshal, has engaged to the lumber business at Newark, N. J., and will shortly remove to that city.

## MISCELLANEOUS.

Col. M. D. Ball, of Alexandria, has been elected clerk of the second legislative committee of investigation, the committee appointed to examine the affairs of the capital basement offices.

The commission of lunacy was held to-day on Col. Mayo, State Treasurer, and after a session of nearly five hours, he was adjudged a lunatic, and ordered to be sent to an asylum for treatment.

A GENEROUS DONATION.—Rev. Jas. Gibbons, the Roman Catholic Bishop of Richmond, was the recipient on Monday of a most handsome present in the shape of a deed conveying to him in fee simple the elegant mansion on the northeast corner of Marshall and tenth streets, with the grounds adjoining and all the furniture in the house. This magnificent bequest is the offering of Wm. Shakespear Caldwell, esq., whose charities have often heretofore been bestowed on Richmond.

We understand that the Bishop designs to convert this handsome property into an orphan asylum for boys—a most valuable addition to the many and noble charities of our city. *Rich. Enq.*

IMPORTANT SUIT DECIDED.—In the Norfolk Circuit Court, Judge Bow presiding, the suit of Mr. Charles R. Riddick, of Suffolk, against the Atlantic Mississippi & Ohio Railroad, was decided in favor of the defendants. The ground of action was that the plaintiff was ejected from a freight train, not having previously secured a ticket, and he laid his damages at \$5,000. Judge Bow's decision (at first reserved) was rendered on Monday. It awards to the railroad company the right to compel the purchase of a ticket before travelling on the road. Emergency counsel were engaged on both sides.

PROTECTION OF SHEEP.—Petitions are now being circulated in this county for signatures, asking the Legislature to include Prince William with Frederick, Page and Charlotte counties in the act recently passed for the protection of sheep. The law taxes every dog seventy-five cents, and authorizes the officer to kill all dogs upon which the tax is not paid. The money derived from the tax goes to pay for sheep killed or injured by dogs. If we get the law, a thousand dollars' worth of sheep will be raised in our county where one dollar's worth is raised now.—*Manassas Gazette.*

VIRGINIA STATE DEBT.—We publish the strong and Statesmanlike report on Mr. Griffith's proposition to stop all interest on the public debt and devote any excess in the Treasury to the purchase of State bonds. It exposes the injustice of the scheme, and shows the impolicy and hopelessness of any effort to avoid the public debt. It declares most truly that "all shifts, all devices, and contrivances (for this object), will be abortive, and tend only to bring discredit on the fair name of Virginia without affording any substantial relief."—*Rich. Dis.*

GOOD FRIDAY.—Although Good Friday is not a legal holiday in this State there is a growing inclination to refrain from the transaction of business on a day which to Christians ought to be one of the greatest solemnities. The action of the Cotton, Produce and Stock exchanges in suspending business indicates a growing feeling in favor of a similar observance of the day in this State. In Europe Good Friday is generally observed.—*N. Y. Herald.*

INADVERTENCE.—The London Gazette, the official paper of the British Court, published yesterday the following announcement: "Notice is hereby given that the presentation of Mrs. Johnson at her Majesty's drawing room on Thursday, the 26th of February last, took place through inadvertence."

It is supposed that Mrs. Johnson is an American, and that she got presented in some irregular manner; or it is suggested that she was not properly dressed for Court.

## The Alexandria Bible Society.

To the editor of the Alexandria Gazette:

I was sorry not to be able to attend the meeting of our Bible Society. It was held at a time which made it impossible for me to be present. The purposes of the Society appeal to every Christian heart. I have been a life member of it, and a constant contributor to it for more than twenty-five years. Feeling a deep interest in the Society, I have been mortified at the waste of its funds; and as editor of the Southern Churchman I have said so. It was this fact that caused my name to be mentioned by one of the speakers at the meeting on Thursday evening, whose language, judging from the report in the Gazette, was very intemperate. The facts are as follows: During the past year this Society received a little over \$10,000. It took of this sum \$6,000 to pay its agents; its agents spent for incidental \$1,000 more, leaving only \$3,000 to be appropriated to Bible work. In other words, if any person gave \$10 to this Society, the agents put \$6 in their pockets, they spent \$1 more for their traveling and other expenses and \$3 only out of the \$10 went to the cause for which \$10 had been contributed. These facts are printed in the last report. If any one desires to see the report Mr. Geo. H. Robinson, Mr. Edgar and P. Witmer, and Mr. Jas. Estabrook, Jr., have copies, and they will, no doubt, take pleasure in showing them. If any person wants to give \$10 to this Society, he can, of course, do so; I do not intend, however, to do it until this shameful misappropriation of funds ceases. D. F. SPRIGGS.

COL. MOSBY'S PLANS.—A Washington correspondent of the Wytheville (Va.) Enterprise writes: "Mosby has declared himself a candidate for Congress in the Loudoun District, and is at present carrying on the canvass in his peculiarly active, energetic and dashing style. He does not propose to go into convention, but to fight it out on the independent line, swooping down upon his opponents unexpectedly, and defeating them while detached after the most approved style of the military art. The Colonel has assurances of the warmest support from President Grant, and proposes to run on his well known platform of placing the Conservative party of Virginia in accord with the Administration. He anticipates opposition from the extreme Radicals of his district, but expects to triumph by a handsome majority over all his antagonists."

## REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

The following transfers of real estate in this city, during the month of March, are reported by Messrs. Green & Wise, Real Estate Agents: Lot and improvements in corner Prince and Royal sts., 88 ft 4 in. by 100 ft 6 in. S. F. Beach et al., comrs., to E. Poulson, trustee, \$4500. Lot east side Patrick st., 19 ft north of Gilt st., 21 ft 6 in. G. H. Robinson et al. to J. T. Nalls, \$600.

Lot south side of King st., 73 ft 5 in. west of Alfred st., 44 ft 100 ft. C. C. Bradley et al. to R. C. Acton, \$300.

Lot north side of Duke st., 95 ft west of Fayette st., 25 ft 100 ft. R. Johnston et al. to John T. Nalls, \$125.

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Lot south side of Orinoco st., 32 ft 94 ft. M. Harrison et al. to Jacob Banks, \$300.

House and lot west side of Patrick st., bet King and Cameron, 15 ft 123 ft 5 in. Joshua Shipley et al. to L. Gentzberger, \$1025.

Lot and improvements east side of St. Asaph st., 81 ft 5 in. south of Prince, 15 ft 83 ft 5 in. Jas. R. Cole and wife to Samuel Kinton, \$550.

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## COMMERCIAL.

ALEXANDRIA MARKET, April 4.—Wheat is quiet and unchanged; offerings of 1022 bushels red, with sales at 140 and 162 for common to medium quality, 167, 170 and 172 for good to prime, and 175 for choice. Corn is less firm; offerings of 3301 bushels, with sales of mixed at 75 and 76, and yellow at 76. Rye is in light receipt, with sales at 88. Oats are active and steady; sales at 60 and 61, with offerings of 250 bushels. Sales of Mill-feed at \$1 10.

ALEXANDRIA FISH MARKET, April 4.—The receipts of fresh fish at the fish wharf since yesterday's report have been 6000 Shad, which sold at 13 to 15 per hundred; 30,000 Herrings, which brought from 11 to 13 per thousand, and 1500 bun-hes of Rock and Perch, which sold at from 23 to 25 a bunch.

PORT OF ALEXANDRIA, APRIL 4, 1874.

ARRIVED.

Steamer Charlotte Vanderbilt, Baltimore, to How & Johnson.

Steamer Lady of the Lake, Norfolk, to F. A. Reed.

PASSED UP.

Steamer George H. Stout, Philadelphia, by F. A. Reed.

Steamer Pilot Boy, Currituck, by F. A. Reed.

Steamer Crab, Norfolk, by Smoot & Perry.

Steamer Jesse W. Knight, Providence, by Shinn & Co.

Steamer Florence J. Lockwood, Georgetown, by master.

PASSED DOWN.

Schrs Wm. Mason and Florence Dean, coal.

CANAL COMMERCE.

Arrived, boat A. K. Syester, to J. F. Agnew; J. D. Winslow, to Blank Avon Coal Co., and Thos. E. Sheridan, to W. A. Smoot.

Departures, boats A. K. Syester, J. D. Winslow and Thos. E. Sheridan, for Cumberland.

OYSTER AND FISH DEALERS.

NOTICE OF CO-PARTNERSHIP.

We, the undersigned, have formed a co-partnership for the purpose of conducting the FISH BUSINESS, in all its branches, under the name and style of J. S. COGSWILL & CO. We can be found at our stalls, in the market, or at our Packing House, on the Fish Wharf, fronting on Union street. All orders sent to us will receive prompt attention.

Can be found at our stalls, Nos. 2 and 1, Market square.

J. S. COGSWILL, J. C. GRIMES, JOHN W. HENDERSON, JOHN W. TRAVERS.

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W. A. JOHNSON & CO.,

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POTOMAC FISH BUSINESS

in all its branches, at the old stand of W. A. Johnson, Fish wharf, and all orders entrusted to them will receive the special attention.

Their well known reputation in the above business is offered as an inducement to customers, who may depend on getting the best quality of oysters.

W. A. JOHNSON, W. J. JAVINS, W. H. SMITH, G. E. PRICE.

OYSTERS.

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JOHN STONE.

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The subscribers have received a large and well-selected stock of goods, to which they are continually making additions, which are suited to the present season, embracing Hosiery, Baskets, Forks, Spoons, Spades, Castings, Bush Hooks, Briar Pipes, Garden Trawls, Grass Hooks, Pruning and Hedge Shears, Lawn Scythes, Floral Saws, Pruning Knives and other goods too numerous to mention.

Our stock of Pocket and Table Cutlery, Builders' Hardware, Mechanics' Tools, Wagon and Coachmakers' Goods, Belovs, Axes, Vices, Stocks and Dies, Files, Reaps, Horse Shearing Tools, H. C. Hoes, Nail Heads, Bar Iron, Horse Nails, &c., &c., is full and complete. Hardware for family use in great variety, and all other goods usually found in a hardware store.

The above enumerated goods were purchased at the lowest prices, and having been long in the business, we know how and where to buy. We will sell anything in our line at wholesale or retail at the very lowest prices, and invite all purchasers to give us a trial at 88 King street, on the corner of Royal.

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NOTICE.—The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the estate of R. H. MILLER, hereby give notice to all persons indebted to his estate to make payment to them, and to all persons having claims against the estate to present the same, duly proven, for settlement.

E. H. MILLER.

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